GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5085
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EDIBLE OIL QUOTA TO STATES
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the quota of edible oil released to various States of the country during the last year and till date, State-wise;

(b) whether the entire demand of edible oil has been met through Public Distribution System during the above period; and

(c) if not, the steps being taken to meet the demand of edible oils in the ensuing months?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a): No quota of Edible Oil has been released to any State during the last year and till datethis year under Public Distribution System (PDS).

(b): In view of above, no, Sir.

(c): As there is no proposal to import edible oils (RBD Palmolien) on the central account forthe PDS, the States/UTs have been advised to avail of the Tariff Rate Quota as notified by Department of Commerce, for the year 2002-03, for the purpose of importing specified edible oil for the PDS through the designated canalizing agencies, if felt necessary by them.